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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

IN THE MATTER OF	:	
	:	Administrative Action
ROGER J. AMES, D.D.S.	:	
	:	Consent Order
LICENSED TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY	:	
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY	:	

THIS MATTER was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry (hereinafter the "Board") upon the receipt of a patient complaint from Y.N. The patient alleged that during a laser bleaching procedure that was performed by the respondent, Roger J. Ames, D.D.S. (hereinafter the "respondent") and his registered dental hygienist, she suffered an injury due to inadequate protection of her skin. Respondent has addressed the treatment of Y.N. in his testimony before the Board, during an investigative inquiry on October 22, 1997, and through submissions of counsel, Stephen H. Schechner, Esq. It is respondent's position that safety precautions were used to protect the patient during the laser bleaching procedure and that the bleaching materials applied by the

dental hygienist may have inadvertently spilled on the patient.

Having reviewed the entire record including the testimony of respondent and his registered dental hygienist at the investigative inquiry, the Board finds that the respondent has failed to conform to appropriate standards of dental practice in the State of New Jersey by instructing his dental hygienist to apply bleaching materials to a patient's teeth during a laser bleaching procedure in violation of N.J.A.C. 13:30-2.3 which constitutes a violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h).

Respondent being desirous of terminating this matter without further formal proceedings and the Board having determined that the within disposition is adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare, for the reasons expressed herein and other good cause having been shown,

IT IS on this *19<sup>th</sup>* day of *April*, 2000

ORDERED AND AGREED, that:

1. The respondent is admonished for instructing his dental hygienist to apply bleaching materials to a patient's teeth during a laser bleaching procedure in violation of N.J.A.C. 13:30-2.3 and N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h).

2. Respondent shall pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000.00.

3. Respondent shall pay costs in the amount of \$217.00.

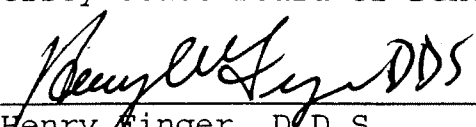
4. Respondent shall pay the civil penalty and costs upon entry of this Order by way of certified check or money order payable to the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry. Said payment shall be submitted to the Executive Director, New Jersey State Board of Dentistry, 124 Halsey Street, 6th Floor, Newark, New Jersey 07102.

5. Respondent shall cease and desist from instructing his dental hygienist to perform any duties which are outside the scope of a hygienist's practice.


6. This Order resolves all issues that have arisen in connection with the allegations made by the Attorney General in the Complaint filed against the respondent before the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry.

New Jersey State Board of Dentistry

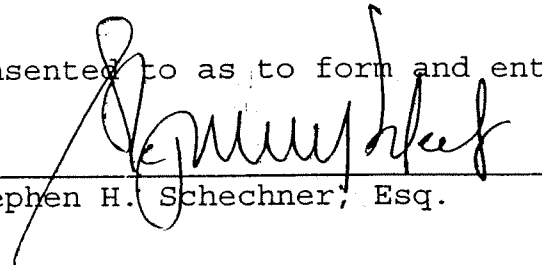
By:

  
Henry Finger, D.D.S.  
President

I have read the terms of the within Order. I understand the terms of the Order and I agree to comply with them. Consent is hereby given to entry of the Order.

  
Roger J. Ames, D.D.S.

Consented to as to form and entry.

  
Stephen H. Schechner, Esq.